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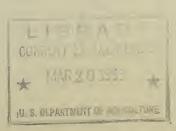
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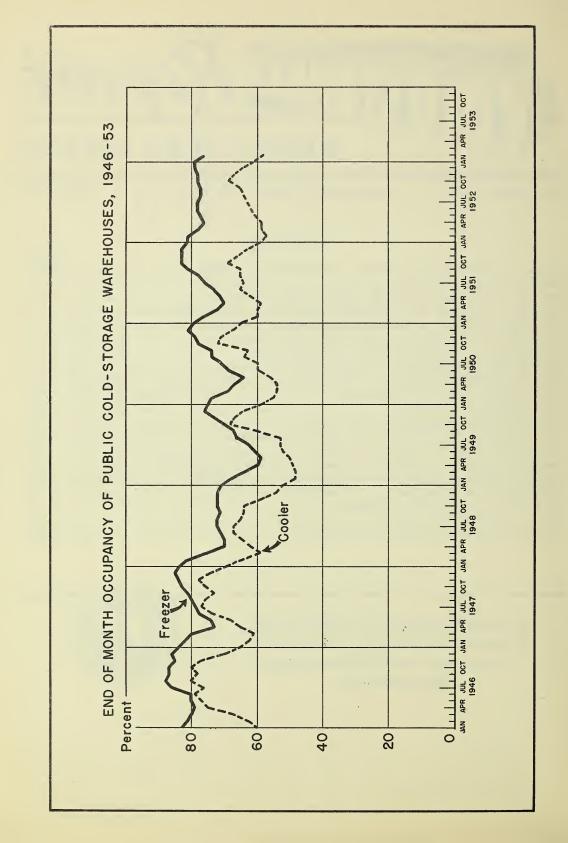
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#### COLD STORAGE REPORT

Analysis of space and holdings, February 28, 1953

Data for this report are collected from public, private and semiprivate warehouses, apple houses, and meat-packing plants wherein food products are generally stored for 30 days or more. Commodities in space owned or leased and operated by the armed services are not reported. All February 28 figures are preliminary.

Storage occupancy

Public refrigerated warehousemen reported their cooler space to be 58 percent eccupied on February 28, according to reports tabulated by the Department of Agriculture. On the same date, freezer space was 76 percent occupied. This compares with 57 and 81 percent reported last year for cooler and freezer space respectively, while the 5-year average occupancy for this time of year is 57 and 76 percent respectively. The seasonal decline in cooler utilization—3 points—was less than average but greater than the decline last year. On the other hand a greater than average decline in freezer use was reported last month—3 points vs 2 points—which brought freezer occupancy down to a level below last year this time but equal to the 5-year average for the month. Cooler space appeared to be readily available in all States with only Minnesota, Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi, reporting an occupancy in excess of 80 percent. Although national use of freezer space was below 85 percent, warehousemen in some States of the East North Central, South Atlantic, and East South Central regions indicated utilization of their freezer space to be in excess of 85 percent.

General commodity movement

February net withdrawals of cooler stored commodities equaled 295 million pounds or a net reduction of 16 percent since the end of January. Although the seasonal decline was about equal to the change last year and the average February net reduction, total stocks in store—1.6 billion pounds—were below last year's stocks and average February 28 holdings by 3 and 13 percent respectively. Products moving from freezer storage during February—fruits, vegetables, cream, poultry, and some meats—more than offset the seasonal gains in holdings of butter, frozen eggs, pork, lamb and mutton and by the end of February total holdings in freezer space were down to 2.3 billion pounds. The quantity in storage, however, surpassed all previous records for this time of year.

Fruits and vegetables

Net withdrawals of fresh apples from storage during February totaled 4 million bushels as compared with 5 million last year and 6 million during February in the 5-year period ended 1952. With almost 11 million bushels still in store, current holdings were less than average for this time of year but about equal to the stores last year. Stocks of pears were halved during February and by the end of the month totaled less than one half million bushels. Holdings of fresh grapes on February 28 were down to 13 million pounds; onions fell off 13 million pounds to 40 million. Onion stocks in the Middle Atlantic States totaled 17 million pounds while Pacific

Coast States held 15 million pounds.

National holdings of frozen fruits were reduced to 230 million pounds by the end of February as the result of a 34 million pound reduction during the month. This compared with a 36 million net withdrawal last year and 28 million during February in the 5-year period ended 1952. Without exception, all frozen fruit items were in lesser supply than a month earlier. The reduction in frozen strawberry stocks—17 million pounds—was the largest of all, followed by a 6 million pound reduction in stocks of cherries. With the exception of frozen peaches, blackberries, and strawberries holdings of all frozen fruit items were below average for this time of year. Frozen vegetable stocks at 448 million pounds were about 49 million pounds greater than the previous record high for this time of year. While the February met withdrawal was more than one-fourth greater than average, it was only about one million pounds greater than in 1952. Holdings of frozen peas fell off 18 million

pounds to 106 million but were still at a record high for the month. Broccoli stocks reached an all time record high with almost 43 million pounds in storage. Holdings of cauliflower, pumpkin and squash, and spinach, each reached new highs for the month. Orange concentrate holdings advanced to more than 19 million gallons as compared with 15 million last year. The February gain of more than 4 million gallons, however, was almost identical to the net increase of a year ago.

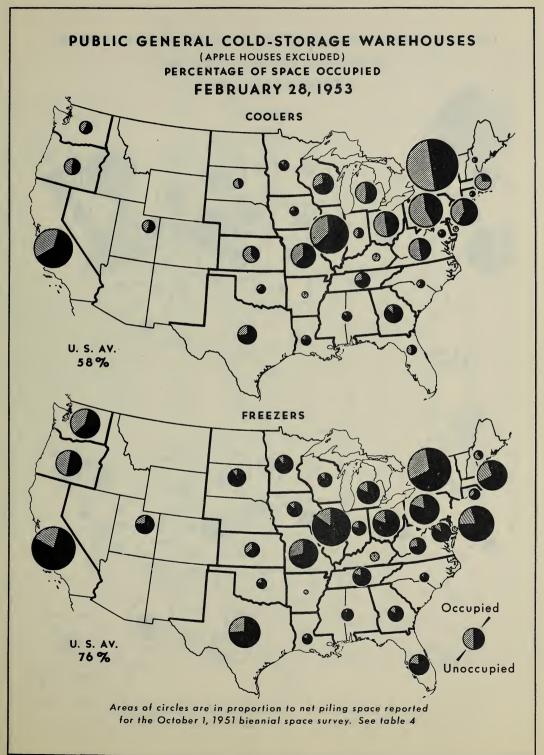
Dairy and poultry products February reductions in stores of cream brought national stocks down to 10 million pounds which were about double the holdings last year and one-third greater than average. Creamery butter stocks in storage increased 15 million pounds to almost 101 million pounds. The increase during February is in contrast to a decrease of 6 million pounds last year and an 11 million pound average decrease during February in the 5-year period ended 1952. National holdings of butter were the second largest on record for February 28 being only about 7 million pounds below the record February high reached in 1944. American cheese holdings were also at a new high for the month with 185 million pounds reported in storage on February 28. February gain only equal to about one-half the 5-year average brought national holdings of shell eggs up to 248,000 cases. Last year, 942,000 cases were in storage while average holdings for this time of year is 471,000 cases. Frozen egg holdings advanced to 42 million pounds which compares with 61 million pounds last year. Although the net increase in frozen egg stocks was more than three times the average February gain, holdings were about 40 percent less than average. Frozen poultry stocks reflected a 44 million pound net reduction during February to bring stocks down to 217 million pounds. The February net reduction which was equivalent to 17 percent compares with 10 percent in 1952 and 12 percent during the 5-year average period ended 1952. Stocks of fowls were down 10 million pounds to 39 million, while turkey holdings fell off 26 million pounds to 117 million pounds.

Meat and meat products
National holdings of beef, moving in accordance with its 5-year average pattern,
decreased 10 million pounds to 254 million pounds. However, this seasonal change
was in contrast to last year's movement at which time stocks increased during
February by 14 million pounds. Stocks of pork amounted to 609 million pounds on
February 28, an increase of 14 million pounds over the previous month. This net
gain compares with 89 million in 1952 and 24 million during February in the 5-year
period ended 1952. Total meat stores amounted to over one billion pounds—a net
gain of 10 million pounds since January 31. Last year, total meat stores reflected
a gain of 113 million pounds while the average January to February increase is 17
million pounds.

Fishery products

Net withdrawals from storage during February reduced national holdings of fishery products to 158 million pounds. Of this amount 141 million pounds were frozen fishery products; the balance—17 million pounds—was comprised of cured fish in storage. Current holdings of frozen fish compares with 126 million in store last year and 107 million on hand February 28 during the 5-year period ended 1952.

Storage outlook
A continued decline in cooler occupancy is expected if the 5-year average pattern prevails during March. According to past performance a decline of one point is expected although in March last year there was an increase of two points. The freezer occupancy decline during February was greater than average and, during March, occupancy is expected to continue on its downward cycle. If the average decline prevails during March—4 points—it would bring freezer occupancy down to a level equal to that reported on March 31 during the 5-year period ended 1952.



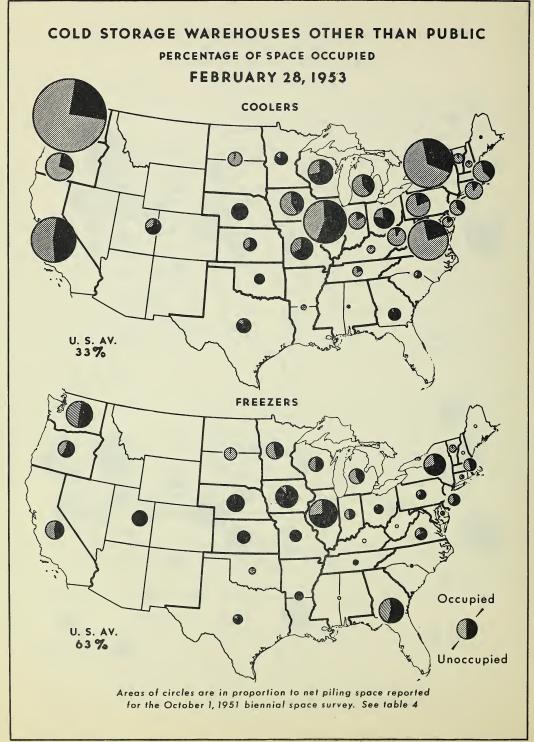


Table 1. - End-of-month space and occupancy in public general cold storage warehouses (Apple houses excluded)

State or ?	Net piling reported		g 9	Perce	ntage of	f net pi	ling spa	oe occui		~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~
Geographic Region	February		1948	52 ev.		, 1952		1953		953 (2)
		Freezer								Freezer
	Street, Square, Square	fts	Pct <sub>3</sub>	Pot.	Pcto	Pcts	Pot,	Pota	Pote	Pot.,
Maine, N. H. and Vt	150 2,153	576	56	75 79	53 43	83 81	55 31	46 76	52 28	41 72
Ra Is and Connecticut	310	4,895 770	47 63	70	54	77	61	70	5 <u>4</u>	69
NEW ENGLAND:	2,614	6,242	49	78	45	81	36	73_	33	69
New York	19,286	18,955	53	69	50	73	61	72	50	70
New Jersey	5,098	10,058	59	78	68	84	61	81	61	79
Pennsylvania	5,406	6,458	51	79	55	88	49	84	44	82
MIDDLE ATLANTIC	_ 29,791	35,471	_ 54	74_	- 54	_ 80	_ 59	_ 77	51	75
Ohiocococococococococococococococococococ	3,852	5,656	53 57	73 82	57 62	88	51	85	49	83
Indiana	791 14,814	1,994	2/ 59	80	62	87 87	63 64	82 86	57 65	79 85
Michigan	3,878	3,869	59 68	74	60	82	59 69	86	53 69	83
Wisconsin	3,771	1,368	69	80	61	82		86		88
EAST NORTH CENTRAL	27,107	26,948	60	79	61	86	62	86	62	84
Minnesotaccessossossossos	1,187	3,991	70	87	68	84	69	91	82	89
Iowaccoccecoccocccc	389	1,977	71 64	86	77 72	95	73 56	93	75 61	87 71
Missourico	4,320 839	7,879 4,061	59	85 91	42	92 95	56 54	74 84	47	
Kansas	4,670	2,109	58	80	45	79	46	71	38	89 66
WEST NORTH CENTRAL	11,405	20,017	63	88	63	90_	57	82	52	79
Delaware	(3)	(3)	77	81	œ.	68	16	84	(3)	(3)
Maryland and Do Cococcoco	297	2,481	38	75	47	81	54 61	75	79	88 74
Virginia and West Vaccoocc North and South Carolinacco	5,378 301	2,630 320	57	81 82	47 64	86 75	57	72 92	49 61	87
Georgia	2,548	1,592	57 56 65	90	87 66	97	82	87	89	86
Floridacoccoccoccoccoc	925	3,956	60	82		81	55	70	53	79
SOUTH ATLANTIC	_ 2,449	11,166	_ 56	81	- 60 -	- 84	- 65	_ 75	62	- 81
Kentucky	(3)	(3)	64 64	83	88 52	79	48 78	93 86	(3) 74	(3) 83
Tennessee	1,630 570	2,654 718	70	81 90	70	85 96	78	88	85	94
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL	2,201	3,373	65	84	65	87	72	87	77	86
Arkansas	(3)	(3)	47	60	55	48	32	49	(3)	(3)
Louisiana	789	749	74	87	85	88	82	91	80	80
Oklahoma	552	1,232	66 <b>61</b>	81 60	50 60	89 56	79 74	76 74	72 73	78 74
Texas	5,638	6,347		66			, -	,		74
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL	7,188	8,583	- 63		- 63 -	- 63	- 74	75_	73	
MOUNTAIN	1,404	3,023	61	77	67	- 91	- 54	77_	- 56 55	73
Washington	2,542	5,330	51	57	54	58 60	56 56	67 53	57 46	59 50
Oregon	2,029 11,348	5,304 17,162	34 57	51 79	<b>2</b> 3 55	82	62	84	63	78
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United States (4)	107,075	142,619	57	76	57	81	61	79	58	76
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<sup>(1)</sup> These figures represent space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held February 28, 1953.

<sup>(2)</sup> Preliminary

<sup>(3)</sup> Insufficient returns received from this State.

<sup>(4)</sup> Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic regions based on the corresponding net piling space.

Table 2. — End-of-month space and occupancy in private and semiprivate cold storage warehouses (Apple houses excluded)

Regions	Net pi space			ercenta	Committee of the Commit	et pilir		occupied 1953
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	"000" cu	ft.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pete	Pct.	Pcto
New England	G.A.	=	66	74	50	50	Salica	elito
Middle Atlantic	1,423	1,167	50	81	39	73	37	79
East North Central	2,959	5,131	59	69	73	56	68	65
West North Central	485	1,889	88	79	74	75	51	70
South Atlantic	121	5,454	69	74	66	69	23	57
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West South Central	cao.	ස	82	45	85	90	825	6.00p
Mountain	(SL)	CEST?	93	=	m	20	-	saa
Pacific	2,137	4,179	31	61	29	58	48	48
United States (2)	7,125	17,820	52	71	52	65	54	60

<sup>(1)</sup> These figures represent space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held February 28, 1953

Table 3. -- End-of-month space and occupancy in meat-packing plants

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Regions	space Cooler			0 1001		1952 Freezer		1953 Freezer
_	*000 ** cu	. ft.	Pct.	Pete	Pet.	Pct:	Pot.	Pete
New England	<b>32%</b>	යා	77	can	œ	=	SSAn .	æ
Middle Atlantic	844	186	84	87	82	86	93	63
East North Central	3,346	680	89	89	86	96	87	73
West North Central	3,470	1,451	91	90	90	94	80	95
South Atlantic	413	124	87	100	74	100	96	100
East South Central	SEE	Calcul Calcul	90	90	93	93	<b>a</b>	623
West South Central	. 69	<b>6</b>	93	87	100	100	ces	nao .
Mountain	166	107	89	99	GE9	E29	100	100
Pacific	453	73	97	96	100	100	100	100
United States (2)	8,692	2,621	91	91	88	95	86	88
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<sup>(2)</sup> Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic regions based on the corresponding net piling space.

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Table 4. -- United States refrigerated net piling space capacity October 1, 1951 1/

Table 4 United Sta	Type of warehouse								
State or			Priva						
geographic	Public	general			Meat-p		Apple 1	nouses	
region			gene	ral	pia				
	Freezer.	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	
	cu. ft.		(	cu. ft.	cu. ft.			cu. ft.	
Maine, N. H. and Vt	823 7,804	193 2,588	546 874	306 250	2/ 547	1,116	32 13	903	
Massachusetts	1,283	2,303	2/	2/	2/	2/	10	2,476	
	9,910	2,810		704	602	1,453	55	5,712	
NEW ENGLAND	9,910	2,510	1,543	704	300	1,400	00	0,12	
New York	17,174	20,694	2,578	4,583	639	3,296	857	14,689	
New Jersey	10,866	5,252	1,139	325	36	559	32	1,325	
Pennsylvania	8,213	8.846	547	245	130	946	157	4,039	
MIDDLE ATLANTIC	36,258	34,792	4,264	5,153	805	4,801	1.046	20,053	
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Ohio	6,829	6,063	452	570	352	2,515	4	883 442	
Indiana	1,830	907	333 5,530	456 5,303	2,096	1,662	23	1,873	
Michigan	4,882	4,044	2,030	1,534	379	\$22	,	, -	
Wisconsin	1,835	4,544	491	3,593	1,597	1,775	61	2,074	
EAST NORTH CENTRAL	27,902	28,704	8,836	11,456	4,944	15,856	88	5,272	
Minnesota	3,198	1,168	1,048	56	1,863	1,419	•	-	
Towa	2,467	696 5,591	869	491 341	3,603	4,989 3,495		485	
Missouri	7,381 2,944	618	1,525	593	2,732	3,703		400	
Kansas	1,987	1,912	492	281	910	1,105		135	
WEST NORTH CENTRAL	17.977	9,985	3,975	1,762	10,088	14,711	-	620	
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Delaware	413	155	~	45	2/	2/	(	(1,007	
Maryland and D. C	3,154	588	73	39	2/	2/	(	(	
Va. and W. Va	2,452	5,234	407	86		231	893	16,811	
No. and So. Carolina	622	500	95	264	2/	2/	9	326	
Georgia	2,462	2,961	95	148	412	1,006	•	•	
Florida	4,141	1,058	4,602	112	540	3 507	000	10 144	
SOUTH ATLANTIC	13,244	10,496	5,272	649	542	1,503	902	18,144	
Kentucky	846	556	119	336	35	335	-	-	
Tennessee	2,743	2,101	2/	2/	295	466	2/	2/	
Ala. and Miss	1,093	1,006	2/	2/	32	-	•	-	
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL	4,682	3,663	144	340	362	801	2/	2/.	
Arkansas	289	258	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	
Louisiana	1,205	953	613	2/	$\frac{2}{2}$	2/	-	-	
Oklahoma	964	809	2/	2/ 2/ 2/ 646	378	1,035	-		
Texas	9,457	3,539	149	646	620	1,119	~		
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL	11,915	5,559	822	686	1,026	2,154	2/	2/	
MOUNTAIN	3,317	1,658	961	543	1,179	1,348	2/	2/	
Washington	7,365	1,594	3,662	860	641	1,212	2,528	49,479	
Oregon	6,251	2,336	2,466	540		1	-	6,489	
California	17,550	13,510		11,300	550	1,594	189	5,316	
PACIFIC	31,166	17,440	8,217	12,700	1,191	2,806	2,717	61,284	
UNITED STATES	156,371	115,107	34,034	33,993	20,739	45,433	4,818	111,522	
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<sup>1/</sup> Total storage capacity in the United States and the lowest temperature at which it could be held as reported by the latest biennial survey, October 1, 1951.

<sup>2/</sup> This state does not have 3 or more warehouses of this classification.

Table 5. - Net changes in storage holdings during February (1)

	Holdings Feb. 28	Net Change during Feb.		Holdings ' Feb. 28 '	Net Change during Feb.
Apples Pears Dried & ev. fts Nuts & nutmeats Cheese Shell eggs Dried eggs Beef Pork Sausage	518,880 22,000 37,115 113,992 217,537 11,160 3,208 10,527 157,744 9,684	-213,840 29 -23,300 51  416 1  16,049 16 -9,962 4  5,760 107 -241 7 -1,164 10 -2,989 2  4316 3	Cream'y butter Eggs Poultry Beef Pork Sausage Lamb and mutton.	229,965 448,012 10,306 100,817 42,123 217,020 242,990 451,327 9,979 21,900	-34,385 13 -46,881 9 -6,160 37 / 15,080 18 / 7,143 20 -44,052 17 -9,240 4 / 16,514 4 -31 - / 1,084 5
Canned meats	56,761 407,918	≠11,578 26 −77,329 16	Veal Edible offal Other	20,418 66,688 453,443	$-2,919 13$ $-3,161 5$ $\neq 26,359 6$
Total	1,566,526	-294,706 16	Total	2,314,988	-80,649 3

<sup>(1)</sup> For a detailed breakdown see the following tables.

## NET WEIGHT OF COOLER AND FREEZER COMMODITIES, END OF MONTH, 1951-53

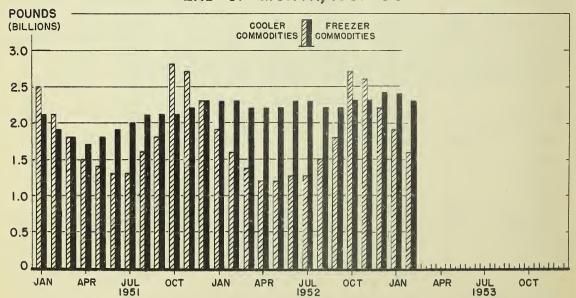


Table 6. -- End-of-month space and occupancy in public general warehouses in selected cities

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Cities (1)	spa. repor	ted (2)						1953 *		
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	"000" c	u. ft.	Pet.	Pot.	Pot.	Pet.	Pct.	Pct.	Pet.	Pot.
NEW ENGLAND										
Boston	1,415	3,510	27	83	29	79	20	77	18	71
MID ATLANTIC										
New York	10.888	16,214	64	82	67	81	65	79	61	77
Buffalo	-	2,054	38	79	35	69	56	66	45	66
Rochester		2,298	45	73	35	67	50	58	35	61
Philadelphia		4,174	57	88	65	88	51	85	50	83
Pittsburgh	(3)	(3)	59	72	54	90	58	92	(3)	(3)
E. N. CENTRAL										
Cleveland	2.011	2,295	70	92	63	90	55	91	54	88
Cincinnati		(3)	37	92	36	83	37	82	(3)	(3)
Chicago	11,860	13,459	<b>5</b> 8	83	57	87	67	86	66	85
Detroit		3,455	69	86	68	82	60	86	55	85
Milwaukee	(3)	(3)	65	92	80	85	93	96	(3)	(3)
W. N. CENTRAL										
Minneapolis	747	1,902	58	93	85	97	75	92	82	91
St. Louis		3,627	78	93	86	97	71	75	78	75
Kansas City	3,857	3,073	48	85	59	84	53	74	44	65
SOUTH ATLANTIC										
Baltimore		2,440	69	88	73	86	75	88	78	88
Richmond	552	713	6 <b>2</b>	85	74	93	69	55	61	59
Norfolk	934	981	84	94	86	94	84	92	85	91
E. S. CENTRAL										
Nashville	1.048	1,845	66	91	51	82	76	84	71	79
Memphis		657	64	94	58	91	77	91	68	92
W. S. CENTRAL										
New Orleans	738	595	79	82	85	86	83	89	80	83
Dallas-Ft. Worth	3,714	4,729	55	50	55	49	72	75	72	76
PACIFIC										
Seattle	1,067	1,762	61	80	63	75	62	79	63	71
Tacoma	353	1,984	14	48	21	46	17	62	22	58
Portland	693	3,120	16	63	22	58	54	52	61	47
Los Angeles	-	4,611	71	90	66	87	70	79	88	75 95
San Francisco		3,432	66	94	62	95 95	82 31	92	82	85 84
San Jose		2,110	38 71	83 84	18 67	85 70	34 67	94 73	34 84	59
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<sup>(1)</sup> Space shown includes public warehouses within a 25-mile radius of city named.

<sup>(2)</sup> Figures represent space reported to USDA February 28, 1953 and temperatures at which it was held on that date.

<sup>(3)</sup> Insufficient returns received from this city,

Table 7. - End-of-month space and occupancy in apple houses

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New England	2,282	1970	21	623	14	•	11	No.
Middle Atlantic	15,202	515	44	66	43	65	28	58
East North Central	3,435	23	54	72	36	48	24	83
West North Central	220	450	73	100	26	91	4	ua
South Atlantic	14,257	271	3 <b>3</b>	75	27	90	21	59
East South Central	) 580	10	-	<b>a</b>	9	62	18	100
West South Central		10		_	9	O.S	10	100
Mountain	<b></b>	<b>6</b> 20	120	SING	28	enca	000	
Pacific	40,762	200	48	25	20	48	25	34
United States (2)	76,738	1,019	44	66	26	66	24	54

<sup>(1)</sup> These figures represent space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held February 28, 1953.

Table 8. -- End-of-month apple holdings, by States

States 119	Feb. 48-52 av	Feb. 1	Jan. ' 1953 '	Feb. 1953
	(im)	Thousands of	f bushels -	
Vt., Mass., and Conn	649	566	509	261
New York	2,080	2,069	2,423	1,614
New Jersey	377	407	314	254
Pennsylvania	455	465	424	252
Ohio	236	160	137	104
Illinois	494	376	309	214
Michigan	431	345	359	236
Missouri	173	85	115	68
Kansas	23	10	60	32
Virginia	1,142	1,219	1.438	1.035
West Virginia	233	274	272	157
Washington	5,813	3,297	6.204	4.481
Oregon	373	113	630	525
California	844	917	1.647	1,073
Other States (1)	473	450	424	504
U. S. total	13,796	10,753	15,265	10,810

<sup>(1)</sup> Holdings for States having significant quantities of apples or pears are given above. Other holdings shown under "Other States".

<sup>(2)</sup> Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic regions based on the corresponding net piling space.

### Table 9. - Fresh fruits and vegetables

'Net changes in stocks during February and comparisons --Fresh apples: Decreased by 4 million bushels; February 1952 decrease was 5 million bushels; average February decrease was 6 million bushels. Fresh pears: Decreased by .5 million bushels; February 1952 decrease was .3 million bushels; average February decrease was .4 million bushels. Feb. Feb. ' Jan. End-of-month stocks of fruits and vegetables '1948-52 av.' 1952 ' 1953 Thous. Thous. Thous Thous. FRESH APPLES Apples.....Western, standard boxes (1) 4.444 7.113 8,391 6,232 Apples.....Western, other containers (2) 411 197 516 150 Apples.....Eastern, bushel baskets 2,267 2,686 2,359 1,596 Apples.....Eastern, other containers (2) 3,586 3.845 3,999 2,832 Total.....bushels 13,796 10,753 15,265 10,810 FRESH PEARS Pears, Bartletts.....packed boxes 5 6 1 Pears, Bartletts....loose boxes 433 Pears, all other varieties..boxes 593 277 894 Pears.....bushel baskets 7 Total....bushels 605 284 906 OTHER FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

Fresh grapespounds Other fresh fruits" Dried & evaporated fruits"	(3)	(3)	37,207	12,946
	17,106	32,646	5,118	5,384
	49,412	53,394	36,699	37,115
Onions	59,022	38,633	53,266	39 <sub>9</sub> 769
	637	598	1,094	923
	105,792	77,752	78,417	76 <sub>9</sub> 457
Nutmeats, peanuts  Nutmeats, other nuts  Peanuts, in shell	27,138	24,512	36,989	44,855
	22,820	29,424	20,449	25,182
	1,405	833	1,290	1,335
	36,870	46,554	39,215	42,620

<sup>(1)</sup> Western apples are those grown in Washington, Oregon, California, Idaho, Nevada, Wyoming, Montana, Utah, Colorado, Arizona, and New Mexico.

<sup>(2)</sup> Other containers reported in terms of bushels.

<sup>(3)</sup> Data not available.

Table 10. - Dairy and poultry holdings by States February 28, 1953

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States	Cres	Plastic		'American' cheese	Shell eggs	Frozen eggs	Total Poultry
	Thous.	Thous.	Thous	Thous	Thous	No area dess casa des- dess casa casa casa casa	Thous
	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	cases	pounds	pounds
Massachusetts	. 407	47	312	1,598	1	592	8,251
Other States	•	·	304	153	6	277	1,823
NEW ENGLAND	6		616	1,751	_ 7	<u>8</u> 69	10,074
New York	. 2,849	598	6,988	17,482	6	3,412	27,941
New Jersey			2,176	4,705	10	1,627	11,393
Pennsylvania	. 874		3,552	1,692	6	1,758	9,747
MIDDLE ATLANTIC	e		12,716	23,879	_ 22	6,797	49,081
Ohio			2,694	972	6	1,907	10,465
Indiana			2,204 22,590	345 12,950	2 28	558 6,547	1,050 39,989
Michigan	. 81		1,340	2,019	6	403	3,902
Wisconsin	. 348		5,879	103,577		592	1,855
EAST NORTH CENTRAL			34,707	119,863	_ 42	10,007	57,261
Minnesota			18,511	2,378	6	817	6,781
Iowa		238	11,972	156 12,542	20	1,675 7,813	5,278 5,714
Dakotas		,	1,222	44	~~	10	31
Nebraska			5,015	222	15	2,351	9,437
Kansas			2,746	509	16	2,508	2,153
WEST NORTH CENTRAL	0		44,446	15,851	57 	15,174	29,394
SOUTH ATLANTIC	°	500 600 500 PM	7,125	_ l <sub>2</sub> 479_	_ 19	2,299	14,968
Kentucky			590	554	1.	275	962
Tennessee			404 186	3,768 3,447	4	614 260	1,811
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL			1,180	7,769	5	1,149	3,913
Arkansas and Louisiana	ees C20 660	days CHS HIN STEE	892	182	10	411	2,249
Oklahoma			2,120		l	521	1,322
Texas	. 135	43	452	6,321	5	2,094	7,365
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL	0		3,464	6,503	16.	3,026	10,936
Colorado	•		273 226	157 977	1 3	189 324	2,401 2,864
MOUNTAIN			499	1,134	4	513	5,265
Washington	- CO 101		533	390	33		4,315
Oregon			815	3,733	9	176	5,098
California		12	719	-		1,425	-
PACIFIC			2,067	7,262	76	2,289	36,128
Other States	(3.0	200					
cream only	613	128		* L'unio (100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100	two tirt can mak day had in	On the time was the case and the	ONE ONE WHEN THE CHE COST ONLY WITH THE
United States	. 9,240	1,066	100,817	185,491	248	42,123	217,020

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Table 11. — Dair	y and poultry	products								
'Net changes in stocks during February a 'Cream: Decreased by 6 million pour 'pounds; average February decrease	nds; February	1952 decre	ase was 5	million '						
Butter: Increased by 15 million p of 6 million pounds; average Febru										
Cheese: Decreased by 10 million pounds; February 1952 decrease was 27 million pounds; average February decrease was 16 million pounds.										
Shell eggs: Increased by 128 thousand cases; February 1952 increase was 704 thousand cases; average February increase was 248 thousand cases.										
Frozen eggs: Increased by 7 million pounds; February 1952 increase was 8 million pounds; average February increase was 2 million pounds.										
Frozen poultry: Decreased by 44 million pounds; February 1952 decrease was 30 million pounds; average February decrease was 31 million pounds.										
End-of-month stocks of dairy and poultry products Unit	' Feb. '	Feb. 1	Jan. 1	Feb. 1953						
CREAM AND MILK	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.						
Fluid cream		4,676	14,481	9,240						
Plastic cream (75-85% butterfat) "	1,129	869	1,985	1,066						
Condensed milk (bulk)"	-	5,976	9,448	6,838						
Evap. and Cond. milk (case goods). *BUTTER	ca	7,174	48,007	26,015						
Creamery	33,863	7,879	85,737	100,817						
American Cheddar"	126,798	142,945	194,286	185,491						
Swiss including block	4,047	7,289	13,648							
All other varieties	14,611	15,806	19,565							
Total varieties" EGGS	145,456	166,040	227,499	217,537						
Shell	se 471	942	120	248						
Frozen eggs, total		60,576	34,980							
Whites "	15,092	15,591	6,268	9,434						
Yolks	13,577	15,406	11,199	11,591						
Mixed	36,664	25,383	14,312	18,093						
OHOTASSTI TAGOOOOOOOOOOO	3,813	4,196	3,201	3,005						
Dried eggs, total	45,542 se 6,818	15,574 4,042	3,449 1,367	3,208 1,657						
FROZEN POULTRY			2 0 0 1 _							
Broilers	5,637	5,797	3,873	3,412						
Fryers	16,886	21,306	15,855	15,550						
Roasters	16,132	14,288	6,452	5,712						
Fowls	62,880	82,376	49,444	39,101						
Turkeys	91,599	106,544	142,866	116,966						
Ducks"	3,614	4,058	5,468	3,823						
Miscellaneous	10,099	8,886	9,454	8,812						
Unclassified	26,515	27,142	27,660	23,644						
Total poultry"	233,362	270,397	261,072	217,020						

<sup>(1)</sup> Frozen eggs are converted on the basis of 38.5 pounds to the case and dried eggs on the basis of 10.2 pounds to the case.

233,362

270,397 261,072

217,020

Table 12. — Commodities held in public general cold storage warehouses, December 31, 1952

Cooler 'Commodities '	Net weight	' Freezer ' ' Commodities '	Net weight
	1,000 pounds		1,000 pounds
Apples	147,264	Fruits	241,579
Pears	33,050	Frozen fruit juices	114,801
Dried and ev. fts	37,470	Vegetables	445,269
Nuts and nutmeats	69,659	Cream	20,650
Fish	18,152	Creamery butter	62,188
Cheese	166,117	Frozen eggs	47,009
Shell eggs	6,255	Poultry	250,450
Dried eggs	3,638	Beef	197,604
Beef	1,401	Pork	202,379
Pork	2,776	Sausage	7,370
Sausage	363	Lamb and mutton	14,050
Canned meats	10,591	Veal	15,922
Lard and pork fat	32,422	Edible offal	24,500
Other	323,544	Fish	155,955
		Other	27,862
Total	852,702	Total	1,827,588

Table 13. - End-of-month stocks of certain commodities held by the Government (1)

Commodity	Unit 1	Feb. '	Feb. 1952		Feb. 1953 (2)
		Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.
Butter, creamery	. 1b.	21,190	2,124	42,208	65,094
American cheese		5,363	1,698	4,173	13,047
Shell eggs	. Case	17	39	33	53
Frozen eggs	. 1b.	14,023	4	53	36
Dried eggs	49	42,042	9,952	630	-
Poultry		7,948	11,881	14,459	11,941
Pork	11	(3)	21,323	35,55 <b>7</b>	36,588
Beef		(3)	52,376	18,796	16,766

<sup>(1)</sup> Covernment holdings are included in the tables of total holdings elsewhere in the report and consist of reported stocks held by USDA, the armed services, and other Government agencies. In addition to stocks reported above, the armed services hold some stocks in space owned and operated by them on which figures are not available.

<sup>(2)</sup> Based on actual reports. Estimates on late reports are not included. Current figures will be revised next month.

<sup>(3)</sup> Data not available.

### Table 14. - Frozen fruits and vegetables

Net changes in stocks during February and Frozen fruits: Decreased by 34 mill 36 million pounds; average February Frozen vegetables: Decreased by 47 was 46 million pounds; average February Frozen orange juice: Increased by 4 was 44 million pounds.	ion pounds decrease w million po ary decrea	; February : as 28 millio unds; Februa se was 37 mi	on pounds. ary 1952 de illion pour	ecrease finds.
	Feb. .948-52 av.		Jan. '	Feb. 1953
FROZEN FRUITS	.000 lb.	1,000 lb.	L.000 lb.	1.000 lb.
Apples	29,212	26,512	22,139	
Apricots	6,758	4,960	3,981	21,902 3,920
Blackberries	9,149	10,370	10,392	9,165
Blueberries	11,933	18,209	12,967	11,857
	,	20,200	10,001	119.001
Cherries	42,346	50,183	29,754	24,450
Grapes	13,996	13,420	11,131	10,155
Peaches	21,310	19,544	26,531	24,584
Plums and prunes	6,579	8,545	7.052	6,377
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Raspberries	21,166	18,825	16,428	13,981
Strawberries	55,050	70,645	97,371	80,151
Young, Logan, Boysen, etc	9,393	6,291	6,858	5,891
All other fruits	34,800	19,518	19,746	17,532
			,	<b>,</b>
Total	261,692	267,022	264,350	229,965
BROZEN THTORO			'	
FROZEN JUICES		3.49 5.60	340 005	102 205
Orange juice (1)	-	147,568	148,925	192,805
Gallons equivalent (2)	70 071	14,906	15,043	19,475
Other fruit juices and purees FROZEN VEGETABLES	39,071	56,511	67,854	73,354
Asparagus	6,744	8,082	0 800	7,633
Beans, lima	47,670	63,935	9,899 70,592	60,424
Beans, snap	26,673	42,040	44,254	38,604
Broccoli	16,704	24,013	38.386	42,635
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Brussels sprouts	9,951	14,640	14,842	13,330
Cauliflower	8,213	9,398	17,615	16,223
Corn, sweet	25,139	24,942	35,615	28,599
Peas, green	78,969	96,788	124,206	106,247
Pumpkin and squash	6,707	8,757	12,984	12,397
Spinach	16,560	28,673	38,397	35,815
All other vegetables	54,402	77,431	88,103	86,105
		,	,	y <b>-</b>
Total	297,732	398,699_	494,893	_448.012_

<sup>(1)</sup> Orange juice -- single strength and concentrated. Includes stocks in packer and public warehouses.

<sup>(2)</sup> Converted on the basis of 9.9 pounds per gallon.

### Table 15. — Meats and meat products

*Net changes in stocks during February and comparisons
Beef: Decreased by 10 million pounds; February 1952 change was an increase of 14 million pounds; average February change was a decrease of 7 million pounds.
Pork: Increased by 14 million pounds; February 1952 increase was 89 million; pounds; average February increase was 24 million pounds.
Other meats: Increased by 7 million pounds; February 1952 increase was 11 million pounds; average February increase was .9 million pounds.
End-of-month stocks of 'Feb. 'Feb. 'Jan. 'Feb. meats and meat products '1948-52 av.' 1952 '1953 '1953
1,000 lb. 1,000 lb. 1,000 lb. 1,000 lb.
Frozen
PORK
Frozen
OTHER MEATS AND MEAT PRODUCTS
Sausage and sausage room products       14,917       19,466       19,378       19,663         Frozen lamb and mutton       14,522       13,532       20,816       21,900         Frozen veal       12,451       11,717       23,337       20,418
Canned meats and meat products
Total all meats
HIDES AND PELTS 57,772 52,759 61,415 60,798

Table 16. - End-of-month stocks of fishery products (1)

Species	Feb.	feb.	Jen.	· Feb.
ppecies ,	1948-52 av.	1952	1953	1953
Salt-water fish: frozen	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1.000 lb.	1,000 lb.
Bait and animal food		3,964		2,645
Cod, had k, hake, pollock, whole	9.66	560		1,028
Fillets:	. 5,00	000	1,000	1,020
Cod	4,320	2,450	15,095	12,273
Flounder (inc. sole)		4,083	5.031	4,956
Haddock	4,170	3,598	10,077	9,675
Mackerel	354	325	550	434
Pollock	1,855	1.732	2,736	2,217
Ocean perch	8,636	13,548	15,880	1.2,051
Whiting	1,384	2,099	2,227	1,637
Other salt-water fillets	1,565	1,892	5,946	5,298
Flounders (including sole)	851	1,097	2,604	1,332
Halibut	7,082	6,540	14,771	11,745
Herring, sea	1,290	1,773	1,034	929
Mackerel, Boston	2,216	898	2,545	2,110
Sablefish	2,812	2,742	2,255	1,982
Salmon:		a . =		
King or chinook	2,605	2,152	4,699	4,013
Silver or coho	3,010	3,193	3,652	2,664
Fall or chum	1,413	1,625	1,739	1,592
Pink	90	12	189	49
Unclassified salmon	992	911	723	680
Scup (porgies)	403	443	714	603
Smelt, sea	1,350	569	1,072	1,485
Swordfish	2,158	5,079	2,943	2,200
Tuna (avant 0:11-t-)	208	481	1,219	112
Whiting (except fillets)	8,310	11,415	14,671	11,912
Unclassified salt-water fish	12,249	14,955	18,513	15,967
Fresh-water fish: frozen			0.355	~ <b>~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~</b>
Bait and animal food	•	1,453	2,150	3,322
Chubs	456	855	658 811	383 515
Lake herring & cisco (except fillets)	728 486	877 496	951	773
Lake troutWhitefish		1,051	2,094	1,976
Unclassified fresh-water fillets	654	727	1,375	967
Unclassified fresh-water fish	2,886	2,781	4.122	3,379
Shellfish: frozen		=:195		
Lobster tail (spiny lobster)	1,472	2,084	2,299	0 657
Scallops	1,713	1,250	2,333	2,653
Shrimp.	17,056	23,022	13,183	2,051
Squid	1,080	946	1,141	883
Unclassified shellfish	1,787	2,026	2,580	2,537
Total frozen fish and shellfish	106,597	125,704	: 170,263	141,378
Mada 3				
Total cured fish	17,489	16,884	18,593	16,504
Total all fish and shallful	124 000	149 500	100 050	157 000
Total all fish and shellfish	124,086	142,588	188,856	157,882

<sup>(1)</sup> Data furnished by the Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service, which publishes a report giving detailed information, species, and geographical sections.

Table 17. - Cold storage holdings February 28, 1955, by geographic regions

Total	23,902 3,902 3,902 3,902 11,807 10,115 6,377 13,532 17,532 17,532	192, 805 172, 805 173, 534 173, 534 175, 537 175, 537 175	10,810 12,946 12,946 27,115 39,769 76,457 44,855 25,182 1,335 42,620
Pacific :	11,501 4,150 4,150 1,347 1,347 1,336 2,336 2,762 3,762 5,762	2,452 11,513 17,964 29,932 29,932 7,129 7,290 11,57	6,079 419 12,329 1,583 1,583 1,014 33,543 1,060 7,402 7,402 1,725
Mountain*	700018. 253 244 247 247 246 26 26 26 26 26	1,015 1,574 2,706 155 165 165 1,532	1,612
West South Centrel	Thous.  440 363 365 365 115 115 198 3,408 3,408	2,101 1,222 1,022 1,022 1,022 1,430 1,430 1,530 1,1,250	266 1,639 1,639 1,639 12,739 2,331 2,331 17,937
East South Central	295 177 173 209 686 73 209 521 3,016 279 279 5,772	1,01 2,00 2,00 2,00 2,00 2,00 2,00 2,00	25. 73. 25. 25. 25. 25. 25. 25. 25. 25. 25. 25
South *	Thous. 2,992 7,992 118 318 11,308 4,078 4,078 2,273 2,259 14,661	127,572 16,475 2,725 2,725 2,725 1,170 1,210 4,243 4,243 4,243 4,243 8,972 8,972 8,972 8,972	1,253 2,27 2,27 10,01 1,091 2,45 2,45 2,45 2,45 2,45 2,45 2,88
West Porth Central	Thouse 1,443 443 443 1,001 1,669 1,467 2,598 5,994 210 639	5,728 6,128 6,126 1,726 1,725 1,725 10,725 41,725 41,725	130 136 136 110 110 114 12 149 15,493 1,174 1,174 1,174
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Middle !	7,100.85 485 1,512 3,333 11,147 4,078 1,500	24, 583 26, 593 16, 572 17, 443 17, 443 17, 443 17, 443 18, 930 24, 995 24, 995 13, 644 24, 138	2,120 2,120 13,170 24,163 17,056 17,056 11,072 9,140 1,072 9,140
New F	1,150 1,22 3,019 4,24 1,28 9,11 1,389 4,137 1,417	6,167 1,258 1,243 1,153 1,153 1,044 4,231 4,231 2,404 2,404 2,404 13,532	308 825 1,171 683 1,410 235
Unit :	Pounds	Pounds Bounds	Pounds.
Commodity	Apples Apriocise Apriocise Blackberries Grapes Grapes Grapes Faspberries Faspberries Stramberries All other fruits Total	Orange Juice (1).  Other fruit juices and purees.  PROZEN VEGETABLES Asparegus. Beans, lima. Beans, snap. Brosoli, snap. Brosoli, sveet. Corn, sweet. Pass, green. Pass, green. Total.  Total.  Total.  Total.	Fresh apples Fresh grapes Chher fresh fruits Orher fresh fruits Orlery Celery Other fresh vegetables Chemits, in siell Other muts in shell Cher muts in shell

Table 17. - Cold storage holdings February 28, 1953, by geographic regions -- Continued

Commodity	Unit :	Tew Finglend	idddle i	East Morth Central	West : North : Central :	South '	East 1 South 6	Nest :	[ountain'	Pacific	Total
DAIRY PRODUCTS AND EGGS Gream (not including plastic) Gream, plastic. Butter, creamery. Cheese, American Cheddar.	Pounds "	Thous. 565 155 616 1,751	4,088 598 12,715 23,879	2,710 34,707 119,863	750us. 440 238 44,446 15,851	Thous. 289	Thous. 57 1,180 7,769	Thous. 150 3,454 6,503	69 15 499 1,134	Thous. 872 12 2,067 7,262	7hous. 9,240 1,066 100,817 185,491
Cheese, Sviss incl. block	" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	333	5,367 5,367 6,797	10,323	2,784 916 57 15,174 1,441	400 19 2,299 18	173	281 807 16 3,026 466	1,906 1,906 40 40	239 444 2289 289 484	14,971 17,075 17,075 248 42,123 3,208
Tryelers. Foasters. Fouls. Fouls. Fulleys.	Pounds n n n	132 719 681 5,450	4,144 1,649 7,748 28,172	2,187 13,954 13,087 22,445	738 1,495 551 8,448 15,535	172 5,853 228 764 7,443	152 457 766 1,798	261 989 755 744 7455	55 2 2 2 2 4 5 5 5 4 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5	1,473 1,473 4,463 25,653	6,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,0
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Beef, frozen. Veal, frozen. Pork, frozen. Lenb and mutton, frozen. Beef, in cure, cured and smoked.	Pounds n n	1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2,	42,576	777 385 119 446 119 446	34,767 182,646 4,330	15.157 15.157 15.20 15.20	6,657 8,291 20	24,041 20,208 1,595	3,773 5,973 815	42 01 1 1 2 2 0 1 1 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	240,456 20,418 401,949 21,900 13,061
Dry salt pork, in oure a cured and smoked		2,838 1,914 3777 716	12,767 7,141 6,322 5,813	12,508 37,903 20,899 4,453 18,611	17,983 81,904 25,150 4,384 24,440	3,030 10,437 5,160 1,698 1,698	11. 67. 67. 67. 67. 67. 67. 67. 67.	2, 245 2, 245 2, 245 2, 136	1,030 1,1394 1,185 2,23 2,81	10,658 2,744 1,289 3,612	40,166 166,956 66,688 19,69 56,761
Hides and pelts	Pounds	31,394 4,019 31,396	117,167	306,132 14,180 18,769	381,704 32,108 8,333	1,650	20,522	63,662	16,115	63,607 1,422 (1)29,946	1,048,018 60,798 141,378
(1) Includes fish in Alaska.											

